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**TRANSMITTAL OF DECLARATION OF WEN-HSIN WU**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Declaration executed by Wen-Hsin Wu in the above-identified application. Applicants had filed a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) for acceptance of the Declaration without execution by Wen-Hsin Wu and Marta Fraley. The Petition was granted. However, Wen-Hsin Wu has now executed the Declaration that is being filed herewith.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth.

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I believe the inventors named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,251,478 B1, granted June 26, 2001

and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Sensitive Substance Encapsulation,

the specification of which

- is attached hereto.
- was filed on November 29, 2001 as reissue application number 09/996,636  
and was amended Nov. 29, 2001 and May 24, 2002.  
(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

- I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b). Attached is form PTO/SB/2B (or equivalent) listing the foreign applications.

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The only independent claim of the original patent (Claim 1) reads as follows:

"1. A method of encapsulating a sensitive material comprising:  
plating the sensitive material onto a solid carrier, in an atmosphere inert to the sensitive material, to form a plated material; and encapsulating the plated material."

This claim is unnecessarily limiting. Claim 1 recites "plating the sensitive material onto a solid carrier." The patent discloses and enables additional embodiments which were erroneously not claimed.

In particular, encapsulation by plating "onto a solid carrier" is not required in all the disclosed embodiments. The sensitive material can be encapsulated without the use of a solid carrier.

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